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Attorney Docket No. SPO-587/DIV

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 1626
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MOMODA; MATSUOKA; NAGOU)	Examiner: A. SMALL
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Serial No. unknown)	
)	
Filed: February 19, 2002)	

For: **CHROMENE COMPOUNDS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the herewith filed application as indicated in Appendices A, B, C, and D.

REMARKS

Entry of the indicated amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested in view of the following comments.

Claims 9-26 of the parent application, serial no. 09/762,112 of the presently captioned application was subject to a Restriction requirement. Accordingly, claims 1-8 of the presently pending application have been amended to incorporate the limitations of non-elected 9-26 claims and new claims 9-18 have been added. No new matter within the meaning of §132 has been added.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in